

This and That

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I am so fortunate to be in the shot peening industry. I joined SAE in 1983 and became involved with the Surface Enhancement Division of Fatigue Design and Evaluation Committee. This committee assumed the work of The Iron and Steel Committee which previously maintained the documents relating to Shot Peening. I inherited many papers from this committee and it was always interesting to see what was important many years ago. I found several references to shot peening coverage (dating back to the early 1960s). You would think by now we had this topic pretty well covered (poor pun). Read Dr. Kirk's article on coverage and see what we've been missing. It's dramatic.

Ken l'Anson makes a reference to John Almen in his article. Coincidentally, I recently received a phone call from a woman who said she is John Almen's niece. We plan to follow up with her and will share any interesting information she can provide on her uncle.

Notable Events

The tenth annual Japan shot peening workshop in February was a big success. It was hosted by EI Shot Peening Training and Dr. Katsuji Tosha of Meiji University and sponsored by Toyo Seiko and Sintokogio. A record number of students from several companies attended the classes and participated in achievement examinations. Special attention was paid to Nadcap and audits due to the large number of aerospace companies in attendance. Hands-on flapper peening training was led by Brigitte LaBelle from Shockform.

The first call for papers for the 13th International Conference on Shot Peening (ICSP-13) has been published. Dr. Martin Lévesque is Chairman and Host. ICSP-13 will be held September 18 - 21, 2017 in Montreal, Canada.

This conference occurs every three years and gathers both scientific and industrial communities working with the shot peening process. The conference will feature technical talks from both academia and industry, as well as an exhibition of the latest peening-related equipment. The deadline for the abstract submission is December 31, 2016. More information can be found at www.polymtl.ca/icsp13/en/index.php.

On a final note, I'm the Chairman of the International Scientific Committee for Shot Peening—the group that sponsors the conferences—and if you're interested in joining the committee, please email me at jack.champaigne@electronics-inc.com. ●



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